



## USS William P. Lawrence returns to Pearl Harbor from deployment

The Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS William P. Lawrence (DDG 110) returns to its homeport of Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Jan. 11. William P. Lawrence returned following a successful deployment to the U.S. 4th Fleet area of operations to support Joint Interagency Task Force South's mission, which included counter illicit drug trafficking in the Caribbean and Eastern Pacific. (U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Charles Oki)



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#### Your Navy Team in Hawaii

Commander, Navy Region Hawaii oversees two installations: Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam on Oahu and Pacific Missile Range Facility, Barking Sands, on Kauai. As Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, we provide oversight for the ten surface ships homeported at JBPHH. Navy aircraft squadrons are also co-located at Marine Corps Base Hawaii, Kaneohe, Oahu, and training is sometimes also conducted on other islands, but most Navy assets are located at JBPHH and PMRF. These two installations serve fleet, fighter and family under the direction of Commander, Navy Installations Command.

A guided-missile cruiser and destroyers of Commander, Naval Surface Force Pacific deploy independently or as part of a group for Commander, U.S. Third Fleet and in the Seventh Fleet and Fifth Fleet areas of responsibility. The Navy, including your Navy team in Hawaii, builds partnerships and strengthens interoperability in the Pacific. Each year, Navy ships, submarines and aircraft from Hawaii participate in various training exercises with allies and friends in the Pacific and Indian Oceans to strengthen interoperability. Navy service members and civilians conduct humanitarian assistance and disaster response missions in the South Pacific and in Asia. Working with the U.S. Coast Guard. the Navy in Hawaii provides drug interdiction and fisheries enforcement operations for Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet. In even-numbered years Hawaii hosts the biennial summer Rim of the Pacific Exercise, the world's largest military maritime exercise, featuring more than two dozen nations and 25,000 personnel.

The Navy family in Hawaii comprises around 50,000 people, most of whom are active duty service members and their families, and includes nearly 15,000 civilians and contractors as part of our workforce.

JBPHH includes the Pearl Harbor waterfront, Hickam flight line. Wahiawa annex and several other areas in West Oahu and provides a major logistics and other support hub for the military and military families. Supporting the nation's ballistic missile defense initiative, the Pacific Missile Range Facility on the western coast of The Garden Island," is the world's largest instrumented multidimensional testing and training missile range.

We provide services to the U.S. Pacific Command. one of DOD's six geographic combatant commands, with an area of responsibility covering half the globe. We directly support two component commands whose headquarters are on JBPHH: Commander, U.S. Pacific Fleet and Commander, U.S. Pacific Air Force. Close to our own Region/ MIDPAC headquarters command is Commander, Submarine Force, U.S. Pacific Fleet. With 18 forward-deployable combat-ready U.S. Navv submarines, Pearl Harbor is home to the largest submarine presence in the Pacific. The Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard, on JBPHH, is the largest ship repair facility between the West Coast and the Far East. Within our region we support more than 100 tenant commands.

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## Who Gets a COVID-19 Vaccination FIRST?





**♀** We Are Here

## **Health Care Providers, Health Care Support, Emergency and Safety Personnel**

 Emergency room, urgent care centers, and first responders (i.e., police, search and rescue, and fire personnel, other inpatient and outpatient health care and support personnel



Health care and support personnel at military treatment facilities and clinics, along with other non-clinical staff authorized to receive vaccine from DoD, who support patient care with a high risk of exposure or potential to interface with COVID-19 positive cases



National Guard and Reserve personnel and active duty service members supporting

#### PHASE 1B.1

National critical capabilities (strategic and nuclear deterrence forces, homeland defense)

#### PHASE 1B.2

- Personnel preparing to deploy to locations outside of the continental U.S. (OCONUS)
- Personnel preparing to deploy within the next three months, including military civilian and contractors authorized to receive immunization from the DoD

#### PHASE 1B.3

- Critical and essential support personnel and other hospital non-clinical staff authorized to receive vaccine with a high risk of exposure and potential to interface with COVID-19 positive cases
- DoD education activity child and youth services personnel and food handlers on installations

### **High Risk TRICARE Beneficiaries**

- High risk beneficiaries are defined by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and nursing homes and others in congregate settings to be prioritized concurrently with Phase 1B
- This category includes beneficiaries who are over 65 years of age, and/or who may have:
  - Chronic kidney disease
  - COPD
  - Heart condition such as heart failure, coronary artery disease, or cardiomyopathies
  - Immunocompromised state from solid organ transplant
  - Obesity or severe obesity (BMI greater or equal to 30kgs)

  - Sickle cell disease
  - Trouble quitting smoking
  - Type 2 diabetes



## **The Healthy Population**

Healthy uniform personnel, other TRICARE beneficiaries, and those not otherwise mentioned above



## A message from the commander

**Admiral's Commentary:** 

# The New Year Ahead

Rear Adm. Robb Chadwick

Commander, Navy Region Hawaii and Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific

Region and MIDPAC Team,

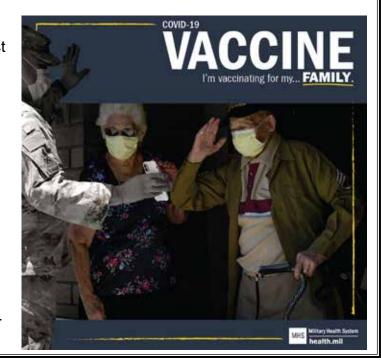
e are well into the New Year, and it comes as no surprise that we are already applying lessons learned from 2020 to face the opportunities and challenges of 2021. The strength and resilience you have shown in the way you carried out our mission while combating the challenges of COVID-19 give me great optimism for the year ahead.

What we do as Navy Region Hawaii, as Naval Surface Group Middle Pacific, and every other command here, is simple but incredibly important. We ensure our fleet is ready. We provide training, service support, and more to ensure our people are ready to deploy and go anywhere in the world to control the seas and project power. As we start this year, I ask each of you to remember that everything we do must contribute to our mission.

I also ask you each to recognize that you are part of a larger team. The impact of what you do on Joint Base Pearl Harbor Hickam or at Pacific Missile Range Facility is making a difference to our deployed units. Our country is a maritime nation, and that is something we experience every day from our strategic location in the middle of the Pacific Ocean. Over the last year, even during lockdowns due to COVID-19, our Navy was ready and present around the globe, 24 hours a day. We each have an important role to ensure that happens.

Lastly, as we face the New Year, I invite you to understand the power and impact of the choices you make every day. We have seen that impact as we faced - and still face -COVID-19. Throughout 2020, you chose to abide by state and military directives to mitigate the spread of the virus. In supporting our mission, you chose to come to work and invest in our mission to defend our Nation and interests around the globe. You must continue this path in 2021.

As we embark on 2021, I thank each of you for contributing to our success over the last year and ask you continue to fulfill your role in maintaining our advantage and protecting our



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Family of late Ship's Cook 3rd Class Doris
Miller unveil a plaque commemorating the
future Navy ship, Ford-class aircraft carrier
USS Doris Miller (CVN 81), at a Dr. Martin
Luther King Jr. Day celebration event at Joint
Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Jan. 20, 2020.
(U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Justin R. Pacheco)

Navy wounded warriors take aim during an introductory adaptive sports camp at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Feb. 18, 2020. Navy Wounded Warrior is the Navy's sole organization for coordination the non-medical care of seriously wounded, ill and injured Sailors and Coast Guardsmen, providing resources and support to the service members and their families. (U.S. Navy photo by GSE2 Lexie Perez)

U.S. Army Sergeant Marc Seki aims his bow alongside U.S. Air Force Senior Airman Caleb Jones at the U.S. Pacific Air Forces Wounded Warrior CARE event at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Jan. 30, 2020. The Air Force Wounded Warrior Program includes athletic competitions and workshops that strive to improve the mental and emotional well-being of ill or wounded service members. (U.S. Air Force photo by A1C Erin Baxter)

Lono, the deified guardian of agriculture, rain, health and peace, is brought to shore by naval officers and paddlers during a Makahiki festival at Rainbow Bay Marina Feb. 1, 2020. Canoes are an important part of the Makahiki and adds to the festive atmosphere by providing a traditional means for the image of Lono arriving at the ceremony. (U.S. Navy photo by MCSA Molly M. Crawford)

Nimitz-class aircraft carrier USS Abraham Lincoln (CVN 72) passes the USS Arizona Memorial as it arrives at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Jan. 8, 2020, as part of an around-the-world deployment that includes a homeport shift to San Diego. Abraham Lincoln has been underway in support of maritime security cooperation efforts in the U.S. 5th, 6th, and 7th Fleet areas of operation since April 1, 2019. (U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Cole C. Pielop)

Acting Secretary of the Navy Thomas B.
Modly shakes hands with Aviation Support
Equipment Technician 2nd Class Carla
Garcia, from Pasco, Washington, during a
visit to Pacific Missile Range Facility Barking
Sands, Kauai Jan. 16, 2020. (U.S. Navy photo
by MC2 Sara Trujillo)



A common hypersonic glide body (C-HGB) launches from Pacific Missile Range Facility, Kauai, Hawaii, at approximately 10:30 p.m. local time, March 19, 2020, during a Department of Defense flight experiment. The U.S. Navy and U.S. Army jointly executed the launch of the C-HGB, which flew at hypersonic speed to a designated impact point. (U.S. Navy photo)

A Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam tug moves a damaged wood pylon during a joint pier repair project at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Apr. 6, 2020. The project removed more than a dozen damaged pylons to ensure the continued usage of the pier by removing potential navigational hazards. (U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Charles Oki)

the swimming pool during the **Toughest Warrior Competition on** Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam locations throughout the Staff Sgt. Nicholas Brown)

Staff Sgt. Norman Sharpe, 747th Communications Squadron, runs in March 9, 2020. The week-long event, comprised of six-person teams from various commands, held at different installation. (U.S. Air Force photo by

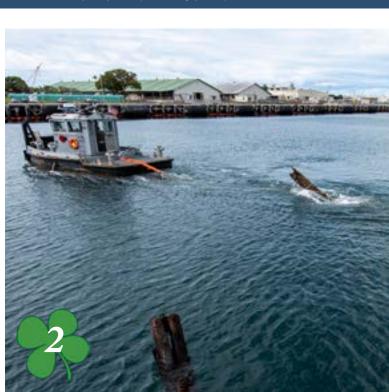




**U.S. Air Force Security Forces** Airmen administer Standardized Field Sobriety Testing to an intoxicated volunteer during the five-day Joint Interagency Task Force West substance abuse recognition course held at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam March 4, 2020. (U.S. Navy photo by Erin

Kamala Jones, a child & youth program assistant, administers a temperature check on a parent at the Center Drive Child **Development Center on Joint** Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam April 8, 2020. (U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Charles Oki)

Children wave goodbye as the Virginia-class fast-attack submarine USS North Carolina (SSN 777), departs Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam for a regularly-scheduled deployment March 25, 2020 . (U.S. Navy photo by MCC Amanda R. Gray)







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**Senior Chief Fire Controlman Michael** Sears, assigned to Navy Region Hawaii, carries the ceremonial wreath during the 78th anniversary of the Battle of Midway virtual ceremony at the Pearl Harbor National Memorial June 5, 2020. The ceremony was presented through social media in accordance with social distancing practices. The Battle of Midway took place on June 4, 1942 and is considered the turning point of the War in the Pacific. (U.S. Navy photo by Melvin J. Gonzalvo)

A KC-135 Stratotanker operated by **Team Hickam refuels an F-22 Raptor** during a routine training mission over the Hawaiian Islands May 14, 2020. **During the training mission aircrews** from the Hawaii Air National Guard and 15th Wing conducted a flyover as part of **Operation American Resolve throughout** the Hawaiian Islands as a salute to all frontline workers battling COVID-19, as well as those staying home to "flatten the curve of transmission" of the virus. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Tech. Sgt. Alison Bruce-Maldonado)

The Virginia-class fast-attack submarine USS Missouri (SSN 780) departs Pearl Harbor Naval Shipyard after completing a scheduled extended dry-docking selected restricted availability (EDSRA). During the maintenance period, the shipyard and crew performed tank blasting and coating, hull preservation, propulsion and ship system repairs, and made enhancements to mechanical and electrical systems. Following sea trials, the crew worked together to maintain readiness prior to completing their certification for overseas deployment to support theater and national tasking. (U.S. Navy photo by MCC Amanda R. Gray)

Hawaii Air National Guard Airmen and Soldiers board a C-17 Globemaster III May 26, 2020 at Kahului Airport, Maui. Soldiers and Airmen were airlifted from neighboring islands and back to Oahu by the 204th Airlift Squadron after serving in various task forces, which assisted state authorities in fighting the spread of COVID-19. (U.S. Air National **Guard photo by Senior Airman John** Linzmeier)













A vintage Consolidated PBY Catalina flying boat takes flight from the waters of Pearl Harbor in preparation for the 75th Commemoration of the end of World War II. "Salute Their Service, Honor Their Hope" is the theme of the commemoration in Hawaii in recognition of the World War II veterans and civilians who contributed to the end of the war. (U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Charles Oki)

Mobile Diving and Salvage Unit (MDSU)
1 Company 1-5 Navy Diver 2nd Class
Isaac Padilla, cuts conduits and wires
as Navy Diver 2nd Class Kenny Hall
performs safety observer duties off
Nanakuli Beach in Waianae July 8, 2020.
MDSU 1 Sailors removed underwater
equipment and cables that were once
part of a Navy multi-purpose sensor test
range for ships and submarines. (U.S.
Navy photo by Navy Diver 2nd Class
Morgan Johnstone)

Multinational navy ships and a submarine steam in formation during a group sail off the coast of Hawaii during Exercise Rim of the Pacific (RIMPAC) 2020 Aug. 21, 2020. Ten nations, 22 ships, one submarine, and more than 5,300 personnel are participated in RIMPAC from Aug. 17 to 31 at sea in the waters surrounding Hawaii. (Royal Canadian Navy photo by MS Dan Bard)

The Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS William P. Lawrence (DDG 110) transits the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam channel in response to Hurricane Douglas. Ships that sortie positioned to help respond after the storm. The Navy orders a sortie during potentially extreme weather conditions to reduce the risk of significant damage to ships, submarines and piers during high winds and seas. (U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Charles Oki)

Capt. Patrick Tift, pilot for the 53rd Weather Reconnaissance Squadron at Keesler Air Force Base, Mississippi, flies the WC-130J Super Hercules aircraft into Hurricane Douglas from Barbers Point Kapolei Airport July 26, 2020. The 53rd WRS is part of the Air Force Reserve 403rd Wing and is the only unit of its kind in the entire Department of Defense. (U.S. Air Force Photo by Senior Airman Kristen Pittman)

Airman Alyssa Alvarado, 647th Force Support Squadron force management technician, confirms the item on the shopping list she received via text from a customer at the Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam (JBPHH) Commissary Oct. 19, 2020. Customers of JBPHH Store-to-Door can contact their personal shoppers to answer any questions about their shopping list and request different items in realtime. (U.S. Air Force Photo by 2nd Lt. Benjamin Aronson)

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Service members from the 140th Wing, Colorado Air National Guard, Buckley Air Force Base, Colorado, deplane a C-17 Globemaster aircraft, based out of Hickam, after the conclusion of Operation Noble Defender at Buckley Air Force Base Sept. 24, 2020. (U.S. Air National Guard photo by Senior Master Sgt. John Rohrer)

Petty Officer 1st Class Jayarjack Idanan, a member of the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency (DPAA), rings a bell to welcome in the 245th year of the U.S. Navy during the U.S. Navy's 245th birthday ceremony at Pearl Harbor Oct. 13, 2020. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Jonathan McElderry)

Honor guard from the 15th Wing rifle team conduct a rifle salute during a National POW/ MIA Recognition Day ceremony at the Defense POW/MIA Accounting Agency facility at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Sept. 18, 2020. (U.S. Air Force photo by Staff Sgt. Apryl Hall)

The Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS William P. Lawrence (DDG 110) fires a MK 45 5-inch lightweight gun during a live-fire exercise Oct. 14, 2020. (U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Maria J. Llanos)

Sailors assigned to the Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS John Paul Jones (DDG 53) signal to an MH-60S Sea Hawk helicopter from the "Chargers" of Helicopter Sea Combat Squadron (HSC) 26 to lift off the deck in the Arabian Gulf Oct. 12, 2020. (U.S. Navy photo by MC3 Aja Bleu Jackson)

Capt. Alan B. McCabe, commanding officer, U. S. Coast Guard Cutter Midgett (WMSL 757), addresses the crew of the Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Michael Murphy (DDG 112) after awarding the command the Coast Guard Meritorious Team Commendation in a pierside ceremony at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Oct. 13, 2020. (U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Jessica O. Blackwell)

Navy Medicine Readiness and Training Command Pearl Harbor (NMRTC-PH) Sailor conducts COVID-19 swab procedure on a U.S. Army Soldier at Schofield Barracks Sept. 28, 2020. (U.S. Navy photo by Macy Hinds)

Sailors assigned to the U.S. Pacific Fleet
Band play as the Japan Maritime SelfDefense Force training ship JDS Kashima
(TV-3508) pulls into Joint Base Pearl HarborHickam Sept. 28, 2020. (U.S. Navy photo by
David Hodge)

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Musician 3rd Class Dakota Keller performs Taps on the bugle as part of the 79th Pearl Harbor Remembrance Day ceremony at the Pearl Harbor National Memorial in Honolulu Dec. 7, 2020. The theme of the ceremony, "Above and Beyond the Call," pays tribute to the Soldiers, Marines, Coast Guardsmen and Sailors defending Oahu, as well as the civilians caught in the crossfire of the opening battle of the United States involvement in World War II. (U.S. Navy photo by MC2 Jessica O. Blackwell)

Master Chief Petty Officer of the Navy (MCPON) Russell Smith speaks with a Sailor aboard the Arleigh Burke-class guided-missile destroyer USS Hopper (DDG 70) Nov. 26, 2020. In an effort to bolster morale for those who are away from families during the holidays, MCPON Smith visited multiple ships inport to share his gratitude for those standing the watch on Thanksgiving. (U.S. Navy photo by MC1 Devin M. Langer)

Hospital Corpsman 3rd Class
David Tuil, administers one of the
first Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19
vaccines at the Naval Health
Clinic Hawaii (NHCH) to Hospital
Corpsman 3rd Class Gage Finn,
a member of the COVID-19
Expeditionary Testing Team at
NHCH Dec. 16, 2020. (U.S. Navy
photo by Macy Hinds)

Henry Lee, a Pearl Harbor survivor and U.S. Army veteran, renders honors in the USS Arizona Memorial shrine room

as part of the 79th Pearl Harbor Day Remembrance Day

ceremony in Honolulu Dec. 7, 2020. (U.S. Navy photo by

MC2 Charles Oki)

U.S. Air Force Airmen assigned to the 15th Wing participate in Exercise Tropic Tempest at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Nov. 6, 2020. Tropic Tempest demonstrated the 15th Wing's No. 1 priority, ready now, a key to sustaining operations through the COVID-19 pandemic. (U.S. Air Force photo by Tech. Sgt. Anthony Nelson Jr.)

The guided-missile destroyer USS

Chafee (DDG 90) launches a Block

V Tomahawk, the weapon's newest

variant, during a three day missile

exercise in the Pacific Ocean Nov.

30, 2020. This event marked the first time a Block V Tomahawk

missile was operationally tested,

marking the Navy's transition to a

more advanced capability for the

fleet. (U.S. Navy photo by Ensign

Sean lanno)

Local organizations donated wreaths that were presented during the Attack on Dec. 7 Remembrance Ceremony at Atterbury Circle at Joint Base Pearl Harbor-Hickam Dec. 7, 2020. The 79th remembrance ceremony continues to honor those who survived the historic attacks and those who paid the ultimate sacrifice, while reminding those who currently serve to remain ready for the next time our nation calls. (U.S. Air Force Photo by 2nd Lt. Benjamin Aronson)





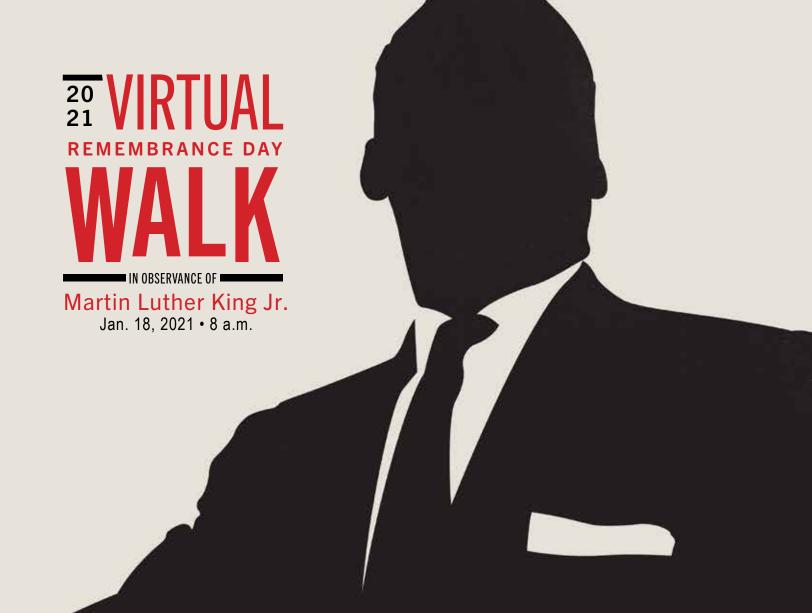








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# **REMEMBER! CELEBRATE! ACT!**

